

# Dept. of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection: Ginseng Board of Wisconsin election period open

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MADISON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) has certified two nominees that are eligible to be elected to the Ginseng Board of Wisconsin. Candidates were nominated during the period that ended March 31, 2023. Wisconsin ginseng growers have until June 15, 2023 to vote on the following candidates:

- Michael Cerny, Marathon
- Robert Kaldunski, Edgar

DATCP will mail ballots to eligible ginseng growers during the week of May 8, 2023. Growers who have not received a ballot by May 15, 2023 can request one by contacting DATCP Market Orders staff at [DATCPMarketOrders@wisconsin.gov](mailto:DATCPMarketOrders@wisconsin.gov). Eligible growers can vote for the nominated growers or write in the names of other eligible producers. Ballots must be emailed or mailed to WI DATCP, Marketing Order Program, P.O. Box 8911, Madison, WI 53708 and postmarked by June 15, 2023.

Elected producers will serve three-year terms beginning July 1, 2023.

## **About the Ginseng Board of Wisconsin**

The Ginseng Board of Wisconsin is composed of seven at-large producers who are responsible for administering Wisconsin's Ginseng Marketing Order. The board oversees the collection and use of approximately \$300,000 in assessment fees paid by Wisconsin ginseng growers. The funding is used to support the ginseng industry

through research, education, and promotion of Wisconsin-grown ginseng.

DATCP administers elections for Wisconsin market orders. To learn more about market order boards, visit [https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About\\_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx](https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/About_Us/MarketingBoards.aspx).